

DEIBA DIGEST

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WXXI at RMSC Solar Eclipse Festival

Sunday, April 7
[RMSC ROC The Eclipse Festival](#)

[Solar Eclipse Space Carnival](#)

April 6 10-12p
Golisano Autism Center

[The Little Eclipse Double Feature: Moon and Sunshine](#) April 7

[SEAC Total Eclipse of the Park](#)
April 8 1-6p

[Al Sigi 2024 Total Eclipse Accessible Experience](#)

April 8 11:30-5p

[ROC the Eclipse at the Public Market](#)

April 8 10-5p

[What to expect when you're expecting an eclipse](#)

[This audio event makes the April 8 eclipse an immersive hearing experience. too](#)

[Classical Eclipse Concerts in Rochester \(and a new Eclipse-inspired single!\)](#)

For more Eclipse events in Rochester visit [here](#)

DEIBA SPOTLIGHT: Vanessa Miller-Floyd



Position: HR Coordinator
How long at WXXI: 1 year, 9 months
Describe your job in 5 words: Engagement,

Organization, Attentiveness, Reliability, Collaboration

Favorite cookie: Tossup between Cranberry Oatmeal and Nutter Butters—I cannot choose!!

Favorite restaurant: Panzari's Italian Restaurant before it closed in 2023. Now, it's Black & Blue

One thing you are reading or watching: I am reading BECOMING by Michelle Obama

Opportunities

Talking about race and racism can be uncomfortable, and mistakes will be made. One resource compares it to brushing and flossing teeth—look at your reflection, commit to regular practice, and do something that is good for your own health and the health of our community.

Read [Hey, you got a little racism stuck in your teeth.](#)

Leer [Hablar con su hijo sobre las razas y el racismo](#)

[Talking to Kids About Race and Racism](#)

Watch [Define People by Their Aspirations, Not Their Challenges](#)

DEI BOOK CLUB April Selection

Documentary: **Rising Against Asian Hate: One Day in March**

Explore the fight against Asian American hate following the March 2021 mass shootings at three spas in Atlanta. Examine how this critical moment of racial reckoning sheds light on the struggles, triumphs, and achievements of AAPI communities.

<https://video.wxxi.org/video/rising-against-asian-hate-one-day-in-march-hx833d/>

Moderated discussion details to be determined.

DEI Learning Journal Prompt

Questions for Self-Reflection:

How do you distinguish between equity and equality? What does this look like in your workplace or school?

How can we rethink the questions we ask during professional development, team collaboration, and organization-wide learning to help encourage one another to look through an equity lens?





RADIO

WXXI Classical Daily Hosts

Brenda Tremblay 6:00 – 10:00 am
Steve Johnson 12:00 – 4:00 pm
Mona Seghatoleslami 4:00 – 7:00 pm

WRUR Daily Hosts

9-12 Opening Tunings with Scott Regan
2-4 The Afternoon with Yarms
Full schedule [here](#)

On April 8, WXXI Classical and WRUR will be joining in the festivities surrounding the total solar, broadcasting a two-and-a-half hour playlist (approx. 2:06 to 4:33pm – with maximum totality approx. 3:21pm) of music to accompany the eclipse. You'll hear music selected and curated by WXXI Classical and WRUR hosts that depicts or is inspired by the sun, moon, planets, clouds, space etc.

National Center for the Performing Arts
Wednesdays 8:00-10:00pm. Beginning 4/3/24. Continuing in the WFMT Orchestral Series we'll have four concerts presenting a selection of works by Chinese and Western composers and Chinese conductors.

Fire Shut up in my Bones

Hear our own **Kearstin Piper Brown** in her MET Opera debut on Saturday, April 27 at 1:00 pm [Info](#)
From trumpeter and composer Terence Blanchard, Fire Shut Up in My Bones made history as the first opera by a Black composer to be performed by the Met.

[From the Top oboist Zachary Allen plays The Door of No Return. Sun 4/7 @ 5pm](#)

CD Spotlights

[Velvet Brown, tuba](#)
[Lawrence Brownlee, Rising](#)

Carnegie Hall Live '23-'24

Season Tuesdays 8:00-10:00pm beginning 4/16/24. With performances including the Gateways Chamber Players with guest narrator Phylcia Rashad on Tue 4/23.

Want to know more about the music during the midday?

Steve has advocated for classical music on social media for years. Now, you can find Steve every day on [TikTok](#) and [Instagram](#) highlighting the music, composers, and interesting stories behind the music on WXXI —be sure to follow him for all the latest content!

[Geva Theatre announces the 2024 Essie Calhoun Diversity in the Arts Award recipients](#)



Move to Include is a national initiative that uses the power of public media to promote inclusion. It spotlights people of differing abilities and disability issues – including education, healthcare, housing, recreation, employment and local efforts to support inclusion – through television, radio, news, special events, and social media.

Project Manager Sarah Abbamonte
<https://movetoinclude.us/>

MTI ON TV

"Matter of Mind: My Parkinson's"

April 8 at 10pm
Three people navigate their lives with resourcefulness and determination in the face of a degenerative illness, Parkinson's disease.

"Inside Our Autistic Minds"

April 29 at 9pm
Chris Packham helps autistic people illustrate how their minds work, helping them connect with their friends and family in a new, more authentic way.

Did you know: Move to Include has PBS LearningMedia curated collections
<https://ny.pbslearningmedia.org/collect/on/move-to-include/>

INCLUSION DESK

[Rochester hockey community celebrates inclusivity at Friendship Festival](#)

MTI IN THE NEWS

[Accessibility unleashed \(585 Magazine\)](#)

[Beyond ADA Compliance: Expanding the library's service to patrons with disabilities \(American Libraries Magazine\)](#)

MTI On-demand

You can now view MTI programming on-demand through the PBS App!
www.pbs.org/show/move-to-include/

**WXXI Main**

<https://www.wxxi.org/tv>

WXXI World

<https://www.wxxi.org/world>

WXXI Create

<https://www.wxxi.org/create>

WXXI Kids 24/7

<https://www.wxxi.org/kids247>

WXXI Passport

<https://www.wxxi.org/kids247>

The Dream Whisperer

Monday, April 15th at 9pm

A 1950s' HBCU basketball team overcame racial barriers led by former Knick Dick Barnett. [More Info](#)

Weekend in Havana

Tuesday, April 9th at 5pm

Travel to Cuba's vibrant, alluring, and rapidly-changing capital in "Weekend in Havana." [More Info](#)

Independent Lens "The Big Payback"

WXXI-WORLD

Saturday, April 6th at 8pm

The passage of the first-ever reparations bill for Black Americans stirs up a debate. [More Info](#)

POV "After Sherman"

Saturday, April 13th at 8pm

A poetic quest in coastal South Carolina unearths Black inheritance amidst a violent past. [More Info](#)

American Graduate: Exploring Career Pathways.

Help prepare students with the skill sets and training needed to be part of the new workforce [More Info](#)

I Can Be What?! PBS

LearningMedia Collection gives kids a sneak peek into the world of STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math) careers.

[More info](#)



Click to see [Now showing](#)

Click to see [Music in the café](#)

Problemista

Through April 4

Iejandro is an aspiring toy designer from El Salvador struggling to bring his unusual ideas to life in NY.

<https://thelittle.org/problemista/>

Shayda

Opens April 5

A brave Iranian mother, finds refuge in an Australian women's shelter with her six-year-old daughter. [Info](#)

ImageOut First Cut Spring Film Festival

April 25-28 A colorful spectrum of queer and trans experiences [Info](#)

**50 Year of Hip Hop Series
Something from Nothing:
The Art of Rap**

Thursday, April 11

Ice-T travels coast to coast interviewing rap performers such as Q-Tip, Common and Kanye West to pay tribute to the musical art form. [Info](#)

Everything Everywhere All At Once

Monday, April 15 (Tax Day)

An aging Chinese immigrant is swept up in an insane adventure, where she alone can save the world by exploring other universes connecting with the lives she could have led. [Info](#)

Special Screening:**Ryuichi Sakamoto: Opus**

Sunday, April 21 6:30 pm

Curated and sequenced by the late Sakamoto himself, this film is a celebration of an artist's life in the purest sense [Info](#)

**Rochester Guitar Festival: An
Tran on Apr. 5 7:00 pm**

Vietnamese guitarist An Tran continues to impress audiences with his innate musicality and dynamic artistry. [Info](#)

**Indie Lens Pop-Up: The Tuba
Thieves**

Monday, April 29 6:30 pm

Against the backdrop of a string of California high school tuba thefts, hard of hearing filmmaker Alison O'Daniel generates new sensitivity to sound and meaning in an unconventional documentary experience. [Info](#)



NEWS

WXXI News

<https://www.wxxinews.org/>

Executive Editor Denise Young
News Director Randy Gorbman

CITY MAGAZINE

<https://www.roccitymag.com/>

Editor Leah Stacy

[Funding moves forward for a pilot program related to Daniel's Law](#)

[CITY: Geva presents Billie Holiday in an existential light](#)

Stories You May Have Missed

[Rochester educator and community leader Iris Banister has died](#)

[Connections: Author Michael Zweig on his book, "Class, Race, and Gender: Challenging the Injuries and Divisions of Capitalism"](#)

[People who rely on home care program urge lawmakers to protect it from cuts in Hochul's budget](#)

[Rochester Regional workshop exposes UPREP students to potential health care careers](#)

[CITY: Out from Under](#)

[How to be a trans ally — and why that's needed now more than ever](#)

[PAB says majority of RPD's "use of force" incidents with juveniles involve Black children](#)

[English language learners are dropping out at a higher rate than other Rochester City students](#)

Don't Miss:

WXXI New Reporter Racquel Stephen's Tiny Mic series on Instagram

<https://www.instagram.com/p/COmJWZZOtVu/>

COMMUNITY

Find many more events in the [CITY Events Calendar](#)

Rochester Association of Black Journalists 20th Anniversary Celebration

Join the RABJ for a night of joy and good vibes as we celebrate 20 years of commitment and excellence.

Friday, April 19 7:00-10:00 pm

[Tickets](#)

Behind the Glass Gallery

Last Friday Opening Reception
Mercantile on Main

Friday March 29 6:00-8:00 pm [Info](#)

Special Needs Parent Resource Fair

April 20 10:00-12:00

Webster Public Library [Info](#)

Holistic Harmony Nurturing Health and Longevity

Sat/Sun March 23 – April 28

India Heritage Museum

Plant-Based Living & The Yoga of B.K.S. Iyengar. [Info](#)

Latinx Voices in Rochester: Exploring Education and Empowerment with Let Our Children Soar!

April 13, April 27, May 11 1:00-2:30

Central Library

A reading and discussion series featuring *Let Our Children Soar!*, [Info](#)

Sisters in Law

April 6-21 at JCC

This play brings to life the friendship of two iconic figures, Ruth Bader Ginsberg and Sandra Day O'Connor More info [here](#)

Storytelling Through an Asian American Lens: An Evening with Lane Nishikawa, Curtis Chin, and Yi Chen

MCC Brighton

Wednesday, April 24 7:00 pm

Gallery Obscura: 2023–24 Flower City Arts Center's Studio 678 Photo Club

Eastman Museum

Through May 26

Creative works by students who are a part of the Flower City Arts Center's Studio 678 Photo Club. More info [here](#)

KAIROS Blanket Exercise/Witness to Injustice

Center for Dispute Settlement April 18

Crouch Hall, Onanda Park, Canandaigua

Participatory education to share the disturbing history of what Indigenous Peoples have experienced through colonization. [Info](#)